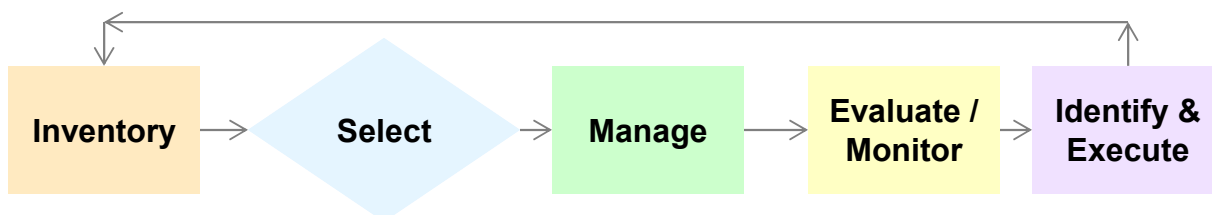




The Portfolio Management Process

The Portfolio Management Process includes an annual review of assets, consistent management of current data, and annual progress reporting.

The NGDA Portfolio Management Process



Inventory – Identify existing geospatial datasets that may be considered National Geospatial Data Assets (NGDAs). The FGDC Steering Committee must know what geospatial data exist and how they support the business requirements of the Federal Government and its partners.

Select – Determine if the datasets are NGDA Datasets and if they should become part of the Portfolio. Inclusion will be based on the following criteria for individual Datasets:

- Used by multiple agencies and partners;
- Needed to support Presidential priorities as expressed by OMB;
- Required to meet shared mission goals of multiple Federal agencies; or
- Expressly required by statutory mandates.

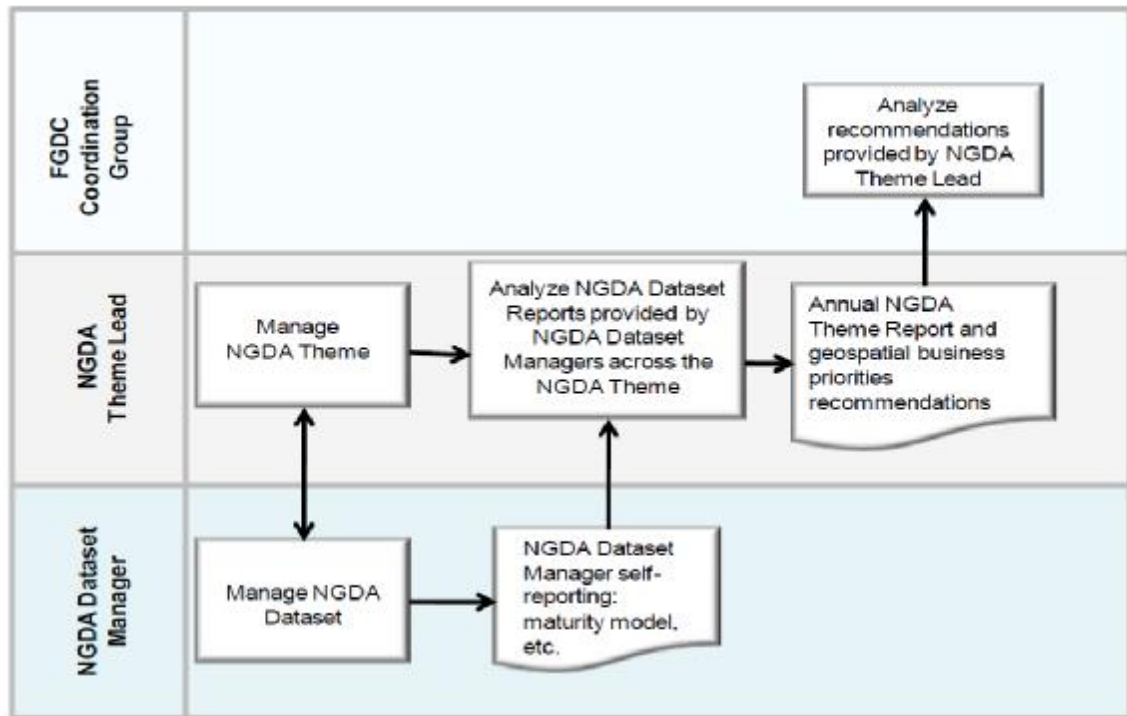
Manage – Develop and manage Datasets per the OMB Circular A-16 Supplemental Guidance. This phase of consists of activities at both the Theme and Dataset levels. These include an initial baseline assessment, implementation of the data lifecycle, and preparation of an annual Portfolio Summary Report.

Evaluate/ Monitor – Develop Dataset, Theme, and Portfolio summary reports that capture plans, milestones, and progress of the Portfolio. Metrics will provide a comprehensive picture of the Portfolio allowing better enterprise-level decision-making

Identify and Execute – Develop NGDA Theme and NGDA Dataset improvement, funding, and priorities. Annual recommendations are made on Portfolio actions.

A key goal of Portfolio Management is to enable the FGDC Steering Committee to make informed decisions on setting both short- and long-term priorities on Themes and Datasets as well as cross-agency collaboration targets for Dataset development and funding.

The Key Roles within Portfolio Management



Theme Leads are responsible for the coordination and integration of multiple Datasets that are often managed in separate agencies. Theme Leads coordinate with their respective Dataset Managers to provide overall management for the Datasets associated with the Theme. This will ensure that all relevant Datasets associated with a particular Theme effectively support the business processes reliant on them; and that they are produced in the most cost effective manner. Each Theme Lead also coordinates with other Theme Leads to ensure that Datasets applicable to more than one Theme are effectively co-developed. In short, Theme Leads are the master coordinators that guide the overall Portfolio Management process.

Dataset Managers use the Geospatial Data Lifecycle to plan, develop, maintain, evolve, and archive the NGDA Dataset(s) for which they are responsible. They will also use the Geospatial Data Lifecycle and the associated evaluation criteria to provide Dataset reports to the Theme Lead.

The Theme Leads compile Dataset reports to look across the Theme and identify potential coordination opportunities, efficiencies, and investment and development priorities. These outputs are communicated to the FGDC for consideration in annual investment planning.

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